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(5) Borrowers under programs financed by HUD or with loans guaranteed, insured, or subsidized through HUD programs;

(6) Purchasers of properties with HUD-insured or Secretary-held mortgages;

(7) Recipients under HUD assistance agreements;

(8) Ultimate beneficiaries of HUD programs;

(9) Fee appraisers and inspectors;

(10) Real estate agents and brokers;

(11) Management and marketing agents;

(12) Accountants, consultants, investment bankers, architects, engineers, and attorneys who are in a business relationship with participants in connection with a covered transaction under a HUD program;

(13) Contractors involved in the construction or rehabilitation of properties financed by HUD, with HUD insured loans, or acquired properties, including properties held by HUD as mortgagee-in-possession;

(14) Closing agents;

(15) Turnkey developers of projects financed by or with financing insured by HUD;

(16) Title companies;

(17) Escrow agents;

(18) Project owners;

(19) Administrators of hospitals, nursing homes, and projects for the elderly financed or insured by HUD; and

(20) Developers, sellers or owners of property financed with loans insured under title I or title II of the National Housing Act.

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§ 24.1000 Respondent.

Respondent means a person against whom an agency has initiated a debarment or suspension action.

§ 24.1005 State.

(a) *State* means—

(1) Any of the states of the United States;

(2) The District of Columbia;

(3) The Commonwealth of Puerto Rico;

(4) Any territory or possession of the United States; or

(5) Any agency or instrumentality of a state.

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(b) For purposes of this part, *State* does not include institutions of higher education, hospitals, or units of local government.

§ 24.1010 Suspending official.

(a) *Suspending official* means an agency official who is authorized to impose suspension. The suspending official is either:

(1) The agency head; or

(2) An official designated by the agency head.

(b) [Reserved]

§ 24.1015 Suspension.

Suspension is an action taken by a suspending official under subpart G of this part that immediately prohibits a person from participating in covered transactions and transactions covered under the Federal Acquisition Regulation (48 CFR chapter 1) for a temporary period, pending completion of an agency investigation and any judicial or administrative proceedings that may ensue. A person so excluded is suspended.

§ 24.1020 Voluntary exclusion or voluntarily excluded.

(a) *Voluntary exclusion* means a person's agreement to be excluded under the terms of a settlement between the person and one or more agencies. Voluntary exclusion must have governmentwide effect.

(b) *Voluntarily excluded* means the status of a person who has agreed to a voluntary exclusion.

Subpart J—Limited Denial of Participation

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§ 24.1100 What is a limited denial of participation?

A limited denial of participation excludes a specific person from participating in a specific program, or programs, within a HUD field office's geographic jurisdiction, for a specific period of time. A limited denial of participation is normally issued by a HUD field office, but may be issued by a Headquarters office. The decision to